

# BERKELEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

## Minutes, Regular Meeting

Wednesday, February 13, 2008  
Berkeley Unified School District  
2134 Martin Luther King Jr. Way  
Berkeley CA 94704

## ADOPTED MINUTES

### Roll Call 6:25 pm

Members Present:

John T. Selawsky, President  
Nancy Riddle, Vice President  
Karen Hemphill, Director  
Shirley Issel, Director  
Joaquin J. Rivera, Director  
Rio Bauce, Student Director

Administration:

Superintendent William Huyett, Secretary  
Javetta Robinson, Deputy Superintendent - **absent**  
Neil Smith, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services  
Lisa Udell, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources

Prior to Closed Session, as necessary, staff/employee comments are taken per Government Code Section 54957. No one addressed the Board at this time.

Recess to Closed Session (Government Code Sections 3549, 1(d), 54956.9(a) and 54957) and Education Code Section 49819(c)

### President Selawsky called the meeting to order at 7:46 pm

#### Report on Closed Session Actions

The Board held a brief discussion about collective bargaining, public employee discipline/dismissal/release and evaluation with no actions taken.

**Hemphill/Rivera** and approved unanimously on voice vote to reject Liability Claim No. 08-16.

#### REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

##### Teaching and Learning Presentation

Kristin Collins of BAM and Writers' Workshop presentation

##### PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Audit Committee – Isaiah Roter and Laurie Snowden discussed Audit Report findings

##### UNION REPORTS

None

##### Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Huyett commented on his first week in the District. He attended his first P&O Committee meeting and addressed the Merit Commission. He talked about the Governor's budget and how the cuts will impact the district. In response to the challenges the District faces, he proposed that a letter would be sent to parents that they can then send to their senator/assembly representatives. On February 27, a contingency of staff and community members will head to Sacramento to address the assembly and ask for support of Proposition 98. There will be a Resolution on the next Board agenda stating that we do not support the cuts.

#### **BOARD MEMBERS**

Board members shared comments. President Selawsky appointed Patty Campbell to the Peace and Justice Committee. He was also appointed to the Alameda County Early Childhood Planning Council for a two year term. He announced that March is Arts is Education Month and will be bringing forth a proclamation at the next Board Meeting. On March 16, elementary, middle and high school students will be performing in an arts showcase at the BHS Community Theatre.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Item 3.2-C pulled for discussion

**Rivera/Riddle** and approved unanimously on voice vote

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

Item 3.2-C – Consolidated Application

**Riddle/Rivera** and approved unanimously on voice vote

Item 1.1-A – Bolton Estate

**Riddle/Rivera** and approval of two conceptual ideas

Item 3.1-A – BHS Courses

**Rivera/Issel** and approved unanimously on voice vote

Item 3.2-A – MOU with Faith Network

**Rivera/Riddle** and approved unanimously on voice vote

#### **CONFERENCE ITEMS**

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

#### **ADDITIONAL ACTION ITEMS**

Approval of Minutes of January 16 and 23, 2008

**Rivera/Riddle** and approved unanimously on voice vote as amended

#### **EXTENDED PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

President Selawsky adjourned the meeting at 9:17 pm

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**John T. Selawsky, President**

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**William Huyett, Secretary/Clerk**

